Amendments to the Claims:

Claims 1, 2, 5-7 have been amended herein. Please note that all claims currently pending and under consideration in the referenced application are shown below. Please enter these claims as amended. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for preserving hyperlinks, comprising:
inviting a ~~first~~ remote computer including a hyperlink stored thereon to register said hyperlink
with a ~~second~~ host computer hosting a data file associated with said hyperlink; and
when said ~~first~~ remote computer accepts an invitation to register,
registering said hyperlink stored on said ~~first~~ remote computer with said ~~second~~ host
computer hosting said data file associated with said hyperlink; and
notifying said ~~first~~ remote computer of a change in said data file associated with said
hyperlink.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein registering said hyperlink stored on said ~~first~~ remote computer comprises:
identifying said data file associated with said hyperlink; and
identifying an e-mail address for notifying via e-mail changes to said data file.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising saving said data file identification in a user database.

4. (Original) The method of claim 2, further comprising saving said e-mail address identification in a user database.

5.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 2, further comprising:

saving said data file identification in a user database accessible to said ~~second~~ host computer;

saving said e-mail address identification in a user database accessible to said ~~second~~ host computer; and

creating a relationship between said saved data file identification and said saved e-mail address identification for facilitating said notifying of said ~~first~~ remote computer of a change in said data file.

6.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein notifying said ~~first~~ remote computer of a change in said data file associated with said hyperlink comprises e-mailing a notification of said data file change to said ~~first~~ remote computer.

7.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein notifying said ~~first~~ remote computer of a change in said data file associated with said hyperlink comprises notifying an individual in charge of maintaining said hyperlink of said change in said data file.

8.   (Previously presented) A method for preserving Internet or intranet communications, comprising:

storing at a network computer a hyperlink for linking to at least one data file stored on a host server;

inviting said network computer including said hyperlink stored thereon to register said hyperlink with said host server hosting said at least one data file associated with said hyperlink; and

when said network computer accepts an invitation to register,

registering said hyperlink with said host server; and

notifying a party responsible for maintenance of said hyperlink of any changes in said at least one data file that affect the integrity of said hyperlink.

9.   (Original) The method of claim 8, further comprising, storing a set of registration data in a user database.

10. (Previously presented) The method of claim 9, wherein storing a set of registration data in a user database comprises storing a set of registration data in a user database accessible to said host server.

11. (Original) The method of claim 9, wherein storing a set of registration data in a user database comprises storing a set of registration data selected from the group consisting of uniform resource locators, e-mail addresses, hyperlinks, and data file names.

12. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein said storing a hyperlink comprises, storing a hyperlink on a network computer.

13. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein registering said hyperlink with said host server comprises initiating said registration by said host server.

14. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein registering said hyperlink with said host server comprises:
retrieving a uniform resource locator associated with said network computer storing said
      hyperlink;
identifying a file name of said at least one data file stored on said host server associated with
      said hyperlink; and
storing said uniform resource locator and said identified file name in a user database.

15. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein said notifying a party responsible for maintenance of said hyperlink of any changes in said at least one data file that affect the integrity of said hyperlink comprises e-mailing a notification to said party responsible for maintenance of said hyperlink.

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16.   (Previously presented) A registration and notification system for preserving the integrity of hyperlinks, comprising:

a host server;

at least one data file accessible to said host server;

at least one remote server;

at least one hyperlink stored on said at least one remote server, said at least one hyperlink associated with said at least one data file, said host server further configured to invite said at least one remote server said at least one remote server including said at least one hyper link stored thereon to register said at least one hyperlink with said host server hosting said at least one data file associated with said at least one hyperlink; and

a user database stored on said host server for identifying said at least one hyperlink associated with said at least one data file when said at least one remote server accepts an invitation to register.

17.   (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein said host server comprises:

at least one central processing unit;

at least one input device;

at least one output device;

at least one communications port;

at least one storage media for storing data; and

a URL address associated with said host server.

18.   (Original) The system of claim 17, wherein said user database stored on said host server is stored on said at least one storage media.

19.   (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein said remote server comprises:

at least one central processing unit;

at least one input device;

at least one output device;

at least one communications port;

at least one storage media for storing data; and

a URL address associated with said host server.

20.   (Original) The system of claim 16, wherein said user database stored on said host server comprises data selected from the group consisting of uniform resource locators, e-mail addresses, hyperlinks, and data file names.